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HECLA MINING COMPANY  
6500 MINERAL DR - STE 200  
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Re: Request for Annual Report for the Year 2005.

Dear Operators:

This letter is to remind you that annual reports are required by Rules R647-3-116 and R647-4-121 of the Division's Minerals Reclamation Program. The report forms (MR-AR) can be found on the Divisions web page [www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals/mineralforms.htm](http://www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals/mineralforms.htm). If you would like a form sent to you, please contact the division of Oil, Gas and Mining at 801-538-5291.

The reports for the referenced Mine(s) need to be completed and returned to this office by January 31, 2006.

Mine Status	Mine Number	Mine Name	Contact Person
INACTIVE	M210004	ESCALANTE SILVER MINE	CHRIS GYPTON

**Reports are required regardless of annual mine activity, unless you have received a written waiver or formal release from reclamation obligations from the Division.**

Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White  
Mine Program Coordinator  
Minerals Reclamation Program